

(b) 16 (*vide* Appendix).

(c) Tanks are only restored, improved or repaired. There are no instances of tanks repaired by silt clearing.

(d) *Vide* statement attached (*vide* Appendix).

(e) *Vide* statement attached (*vide* Appendix).

MR. M. LINGE GOWDA.—Are Government aware that many major and minor tanks still continue in disrepair and will the Government pay attention to them as far as possible?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—Yes.

*Special Repairs for the Halagur-Channapatna Road.*

MR. PUTTASWAMI GOWDA (Malvalli Taluk).—

Q.—9. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) In what year was the construction of the Halagur-Channapatna Road started?

(b) (i) How often has it been represented that the mileage allotment for annual maintenance should be increased from Rs. 40 to Rs. 60 and that special repairs should be undertaken in places where there are pits in Halagur Hobli?

(ii) What are the amounts of estimates prepared?

(iii) What action was taken in this respect may be stated in detail?

(c) (i) On how many tank bunds between Halagur and Channapatna this road runs? what are the names of those tanks; (ii) are Government aware that as railings are not provided on the tank bunds the traffic thereon is risky?

(d) Has it come to the notice of Government that carts fell from one of these tank bunds and lives were lost; on how many occasions, reports have been received as to the number of lives endangered; what arrangements were made to safeguard against such risk may be stated in detail?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—

A.—9. (a) Information not readily available.

(b) (i) Information not available. The allotment for the road varies even, now from Rs. 40 to Rs. 100 per mile.

(ii) and (iii) The District Board were addressed to sanction Rs. 6,000 for special repairs which they have not sanctioned.

(c) (i) Two. Honganur and Kodamballi.

(ii) No.

(d) No information available.

MR. PUTTASWAMI GOWDA.—Is it not a fact that the road has not been properly maintained for the past 40 or 50 years?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—I shall enquire into the matter.

MR. PUTTASWAMI GOWDA.—Is it not a fact that compensation has not been paid to the people who had lost their lands?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—I shall look into the matter.

MR. PUTTASWAMI GOWDA.—The tanks are not restored, but the raiyats continue to pay the usual assessment. Is this not unjust?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—We shall restore them as soon as possible.

MR. PUTTASWAMI GOWDA.—With reference to answer to (d) that information about the accidents is not available, is it not a fact that recently 4 persons fell into the tank and were injured and one woman also lost her limbs?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—Government have not received any report. But they will enquire about it.

*Rotational Arrangement of Cultivation in the Irwin Canal Area.*

MESSRS. H. HONNAIYA and M. L. LINGANNA (Mandya Taluk) and K. KEMPE GOWDA (Mandya Municipality).—

Q.—15. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) Are the lands under Irwin Canal cultivated according to the block system now?

(b) Has it come to the notice of Government that the Agricultural Department is giving permission to grow sugar-cane in wet and dry sub-blocks and is not encouraging the poor people to grow sugar-cane in sugar-cane sub-blocks?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.—

A.—15. (a) Yes, if the members mean rotational arrangement of cultivation.

(b) No.

MR. H. HONNAIYA.—Are Government perfectly sure that permission is not being given for growing sugar-cane on land not meant for that crop?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.—It must have been done in exceptional cases.

MR. H. HONNAIYA.—Why should you insist on contribution at all at that rate?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.—Necessary instructions will be given for the future.

MR. S. C. MALLIAH.—Did not Government promise on the last occasion when a similar question came up that they would issue orders that it should not be done?

DIRECTOR OF AGRICULTURE.—As far as possible we shall see that no inconvenience is caused to private agriculturists.

*Hardship caused to the Raiyats under Santhekere Tank, Hunsur Taluk, owing to forced Payment of Contribution.*

MR. H. M. CHANNABASAPPA (Hunsur Taluk).—

Q.—16. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) How long is it since the Santhekere Tank attached to the Tarikal Nala, Bilikere Hobli, Hunsur Taluk, was repaired; what was the outlay?

(b) What is the *atchkat* under this tank; what is the revenue derived by Government?

(c) Is this tank classified as major or minor in Government accounts?

(d) Have Government ordered the

recovery of contribution from the raiyats for the expenditure incurred for repairing the waste weir?

(e) Were the raiyats informed beforehand that such contribution will have to be paid by them?

(f) Have the raiyats represented that the above contribution need not be paid by them and that it should be cancelled; if so, what is the reply given by Government?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—

A.—16. (a) 3 years. September 1931—Rs. 399.

(b) 251 acres, 32 guntas. Rs. 738-12-0 per annum.

(c) Major.

(d) No.

(e) and (f) Do not arise in view of answer to (d) above.

MR. H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—With reference to answer to (d), may I know if there are no other works executed by the Public Works Department without ordering the recovery of contribution from the raiyats?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—I am not aware of any. But the recovery becomes necessary if raiyats fail to do maintenance work.

MR. H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—Is it not necessary under the Regulation to give previous notice to the raiyats if contribution has to be paid?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—The Revenue Department must have given notice.

MR. H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—Have the Government enquired whether the Department is enforcing the raiyats' liability without such previous notice?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—Notice.

MR. H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—With reference to answer to (b), may I know if the figure 251 acres and 32 guntas represents the *nala atchkat* or the tank *atchkat*?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—Notice.

MR. H. M. CHANNABASAPPA.—Have not the raiyats represented to the Chief Engineer on 23rd April 1934 the hard-